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Mary:

The Final 2015 End of Year Report is attached. It contains a review of State commitments, EPA Activities, and an evaluation of both for the period covered up to the end of the FY 14-15 (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2015) Indiana / R5 EPA Environmental Performance Partnership Agreement budget period.

During the course of that timeframe, IDEM met or exceeded its commitments under the Safe Drinking Water Act. The Agency maintained and improved its data system and provided EPA with timely and accurate data reports. Violations received timely follow up and the State completely met and exceeded its enforcement commitments.

IDEM has aggressively pursued preparations for implementing new rules with water systems to make sure that they are aware and will comply with them as they become and will become effective. Particularly noteworthy is the state's leadership and innovation in the development of electronic sampling entry (eSE) system which allows certified laboratories to submit single or batched data, which provides for a more resource-efficient means of doing laboratory data entry.

R5 also commends IDEM for working to maintain a consistently high number of trained certified operators at water systems throughout the State. We look forward to the development of the new exam and certification process, which will include coverage of new topics such as sustainable and water efficient practices, and congratulate the State for its efforts to promote good asset management.

R5 recognizes the advances that IDEM is making to promote source water protection through its regulatory program, particularly concerning the development of above ground storage tank emergency response plans. We continue to encourage the Drinking Water Branch to work with regulatory and voluntary entities as it works to extend protection efforts to surface water

systems. Also of note is IDEM's commitment to providing drinking water state revolving loan fund assistance to environmental justice communities.

We appreciate all that the IDEM Drinking Water Branch has and is continuing to accomplish, especially in the development of new rules and through developing implementable programs that achieve results. We appreciate your continued support and a continued strong partnership which maintains and protects public health.

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